

June 2006 GED UPDATE

Conference Information

The agenda for the conference is still developing and will be mailed closer to the date of the conference. There will be a session on scoring center procedures, online examiner training, and providing accommodations. The update session will concentrate on issues that generate questions or cause confusion. There will also be a review session in a fun format and time for questions and answers. Length of sessions and order is dependent on the amount of time necessary to cover scoring procedures.

A reminder the conference is required and attendance at all sessions constitutes attendance based on sign-in sheets.

KYAE will have a motel room available on Monday evening for those who wish to socialize and network. It will expedite the morning sessions if those spending Monday night will register and pick up packets as you check in.

Rae, Adrian, and BJ look forward to seeing you, sharing ideas, and getting feedback from you, the experts in GED testing.

Calendars

Attached is the information needed to compile the master test center calendar. Please complete a form for each test site including each public access site, each local jail site, and correctional facility sites. (Correctional and juvenile detention site schedules are not posted on the web). Posted on the KYAE website will be a color-coded state map showing the number of times testing is provided per month. A student or adult education provider can click on any county and pull up the schedule for that test site with contact information and other needed information.

Emergency Plans

Emergency plans are due July 1. Please do not send receipt and return plans with the emergency plan. Receipt and return plans are not due until October 1. Receipt and return plans are to be reviewed by each test center closer to the time of new test delivery – November.

Emergency plans should be specific to each test center. Many test centers adopted a plan from another test center to meet the requirement of having a plan on file. Please review and put in your own language checking the required elements. This year, **put in bold all names, contacts, phone numbers, faxes, etc.**

Focus Group

Thank you for your input on increasing GEDs. May's Update shared the results. KYAE has convened a focus group that will meet on June 16. The group

is composed of examiners and adult education providers. The group will discuss the survey results, the suggestions for increasing GEDs, and initiatives from other states. Results of the meeting and next steps will be shared at the examiner's conference.

Examiner Experience

The test center profile asks for number of years experience in GED testing. However, since only chief examiners complete the test center profile there is not an accurate picture of examiner experience. Please e-mail Adrian Parrish, subject line Examiner Experience, list each examiner at your test center and number of years as an examiner.

REMINDERS

Conference Registration Deadline--	June 5, 2006
Examiner Experience Information--	June 15, 2006
July-December Test Schedules--	NOW
Examiner's Conference--	June 26-27, 2006
Emergency Plans--	July 1, 2006